

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-25 (Canceled)

26. (Original) A roll holder device for loading of a supply magazine with a recording material roll in a rotatable manner, said recording material roll including a tubular spool shaft and continuous recording material wound about said tubular spool shaft in a roll form, said supply magazine having a holder frame member with first and second cutouts for supporting said roll holder device, said roll holder device comprising:

first and second holder cores inserted in respectively first and second ends of said tubular spool shaft;

first and second stationary sections, fitted in said first and second cutouts stationarily and removably, for supporting respectively said first and second holder cores in a rotatable manner; and

a roll regulator mechanism for pushing a pair of end faces of said recording material roll, to prevent looseness of said recording material roll; and

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an unblocking mechanism for releasing said recording material roll from pressure of said roll regulator mechanism in response to setting of said recording material roll in said supply magazine.

27. (Original) A roll holder device as defined in claim 26, further comprising a bias mechanism for biasing said roll regulator mechanism toward said end faces of said recording material roll;

wherein said unblocking mechanism moves said roll regulator mechanism away from said end faces of said recording material roll against said bias mechanism upon being set in said supply magazine.

28. (Original) A roll holder device as defined in claim 27, wherein said roll regulator mechanism includes first and second handle members, set at said first and second ends of said tubular spool shaft in a pivotally movable manner, for coming substantially erect to said first and second bearing members upon being moved up, to push end faces of said recording material roll.

29. (Original) A roll holder device as defined in claim 28, wherein said first and second stationary sections include respectively first and second bearing members, fitted in said

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first and second cutouts stationarily and removably, for supporting said first and second holder cores in a rotatable manner;

wherein said first and second handle members are secured to said first and second bearing members in a pivotally movable manner, and said bias mechanism biases each of said first and second bearing members toward said recording material roll.

30. (Original) A roll holder device as defined in claim 29, wherein said supply magazine includes an inclined edge portion, formed at an open end of said cutout, inclined toward an inside of said holder frame member, for guiding insertion of said each bearing member into said cutout;

wherein said unblocking mechanism includes a great-diameter portion, formed at an axial end of said each bearing member with a greater diameter, pushed by an edge of said cutout by insertion of said each bearing members into said cutout, for sliding said each bearing member away from said recording material roll.

31. (Original) A supply magazine for a recording material roll including a tubular spool shaft and continuous recording material wound about said tubular spool shaft in a roll form, said supply magazine comprising:

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first and second holder cores, inserted in respectively first and second ends of said tubular spool shaft;

a spring plate member for pushing an axial end of said first or second holder core, to position said recording material roll in an axial direction; and

a regulator member, disposed behind said spring plate member, for regulating a shift of said spring plate member being pushed.

32. (Original) A supply magazine as defined in claim 31, further comprising:

a magazine body for containing said recording material roll;

a holder frame member for supporting said first and second holder cores in said magazine body in a rotatable member;

wherein said spring plate member and said regulator member are secured to an inner face of said magazine body.